

The Honorable, The Legislature of the State
of Texas.

I Ransom P. Bassell of the
County of Burleson and State of Texas
most respectfully represents that, whereas
as Captain of the County of the Republic
of Texas in the year of 1842, and some
time previous to that date, and ever did
and performed all the duties of Captain
of said Republic, and when the western
frontier of Texas was invaded by the
Mexicans in the Spring of 1842, under
General Vasquez, I engaged a private
soldier from the County of Burleson
Campaign. Mounted, Armed and
equipped and discharged all the
duties as a private soldier in said
Campaign to assist in repelling
the invaders, and little never received
any compensation for my said services,
and so far as I recollect to you
honorable body, that I used all means in
my power to obtain the legal proof for
said services before the limitation of
the time expired to present said claim
for payment to the Auditor, and in con-
sequence of not recollecting the evidence
by whom I could make proof, and failure
of my attorney to call on those who could
recollect who are yet living, and
in the State of Texas, in time to secure
the amount of my legal claim, and
now being able to produce to the satisfaction
of the Hon. the Legislature
that I am entitled to pay for said
service of which proof is made. I ex-